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Are you an active member of NOW?

Are you interested in promoting the hobby of coin collecting?

Are you willing to put your writing and editing talents to work?

In 1998, we will need a new Editor for NOW News. Please consider volunteering for this important position and contact Editor, Ruth Ann Phillips.

Deadline!

DEADLINE!

What does it mean?

According to Webster's New Dictionary it means the following:

1. Originally, a line around a prison beyond which a prisoner could go only at the risk of being shot by a guard.

2. a boundary which it was forbidden to cross.

3. a time limit, as for a payment, "news story", ect.

Deadline for the next issue of NOW News will be AUGUST 25, 1997

If I don't have anything for the fall issue, there will be blank pages!

Please keep those wonderful stories coming, if I don't use them right away, they will show up at a later date.

Send any information to me, Ruth Ann Phillips, 3329 Wells Avenue, Madison, WI 53714.

Kenosha Well Done!!

Now that the dust from another NOW show has pretty well settled, it's easy to see that our friends in Kenosha have the expertise for staging coin shows that obviously comes only from years of experience. Jerry Binsfeld and Bill Spencer did a grand job of master-minding the whole affair, and both deserve the old fashioned "pat on the back for a job well done." Kenosha's Union Club building, while not close to hotels or motels proved to be easyto-find location with excellent parking facilities (those comments are from collectors attending). All in all, a nice show, nicely attended, and one that all of the NOW board is pleased to have been a part of.

Looking ahead: From all indications, NOW '98 will not take place in Madison, as previously planned. Hotel problems have forced the Madison Coin Club to make drastic changes in both location and date for hosting NOW. Their sights now are set for hosting a spring NOW show in 1999.

Once that word was out, representatives of the Oshkosh and the Fond du Lac clubs were quick to submit invitations for 1998. Perhaps they are right: Perhaps it is time to get back to the Fox Valley! Watch for an announcement on this in the very near future, and be ready to plan accordingly.

And if you think we're not looking to the future, how would you like to help celebrate NOW's 40th anniversary in 2000 by returning to the place of its founding....IOLA! We may not have a coin club in Iola to serve as host, but we do have Krause Publications.

It was KP's Cliff Michler (and past NOW president) who extended to us the special invitation to mark the 40th anniversary in conjunction with an annual Krause produced local event, a "What's It Day!"

Once a year the invitation goes out to the local population to come to the Krause offices to meet with staff members of <u>all</u> of the Krause publications — not just numismaticand get their opinions and evaluations of any collectibles that local persons may have.

While it is far too early to go into more detail, the NOW board was quite receptive to the invitation with most agreeing that it might be a rather novel way to celebrate a special milestone. Watch for more on this as plans progress.

An NOW convention in Iola in 2000: What a great idea!! I wonder if the slogan for such an event might be, "Bring the bourse to the Land of the Norse."

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1997 NOW-KENOSHA SPRING SHOW

The 1997 Numismatists of Wisconsin Spring Coin Show was held at the Union Club in Kenosha on May 18, 1997. The feastivities began with dinner at the Kenosha Fireside at 7:30 p.m. on Sat., May 17. Seventeen people took part, NOW officers, spouses and several Kenosha Coin Club members were in attendance.

"The coin show on Sunday was very well attended" stated Jerry Binsfeld, General Chairman. The publicity in area papers, posted flyers and information about the show in the NOW News, Numismatic News, Coin World, and a coin exhibit and show information on display at the Fireside Restaurant," Binsfeld said.

The Kenosha Club had promotions for the show, the first a Souvenir card which pictures an 1862 \$3 broken bank note from The City Bank of Kenosha and the second a wooden encased 1960 unc. cent which advertises the NOW show. There were Souvenir cards produced, presently seven remain for sale. The price is \$4. plus a 55 cent stamp. Wooded encased are for sale and can be obtained by sending a check for \$1. plus a SASE to the Kenosha Coin Club, Box 191, Pleasant Prairie, WI 53158.

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The bourse consisted of 35 tables and dealers came from WI, MN, and IL. Dealers seemed very satisfied with business and several had opportunities to but small hoards of coins and one stated he had a pending deal of world gold coins. Also, evident were wholesale buying and selling between dealers which is the norm at most state shows.

Mark Feruson, Oshkosh, gave at talk on the 1804 dollar. He also exhibited prints depicting the 1804 dollar along with pertinent information about the coin.

Roland Finner, president of NOW! displayed a three legged Buffalo, America's most beautiful coin, the St. Gaudens Twenty-dollar gold! piece and coins of the Bible. The exhibits were well received with collectors.

The club also gave out coin collector starter kits to young collectors which were provided by John Wilson, president of Central States. Penny boards were also given out which were obtained by Rollie Finner. A video, Money Talks, was shown in the lobby during the course of the show.

The officers and members of the Kenosha Coin Club wish to Thank Rollie Finner and all the other officers of NOW, John Wilson, Mark Ferguson, NOW News, Numismatic News, Coin World, dealers and collectors for making the 1997 NOW-Kenosha Spring show a success.





Bill Brandimore, Cliff Mishler, President of Krause Publications and Ron Calkins at the NOW table.

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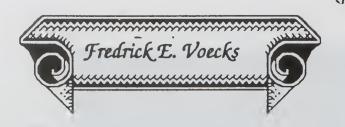
Chippewa Valley Coin Club's 32nd Annual Show. Midway Hotel, 2851 Hendrickson Dr., 1591 Eau Claire, WI 54702.

MILWAUKEE - APRIL 16-18, 1998

The South Shore Coin Club's 34th Annual Coin Show. The Grand Milwaukee Hotel, 4747 S. Howell Avenue. Chairman: Annette Tramte, 2368 South 59th Street, West Allis, WI 53219.

WAUSAU - APRIL 19, 1998

Wisconsin Valley Coin Club. Midway Hotel, 2901 Martin Avenue. Chairman: Thad Streeter, 5002 Tanya Street, Schofield, WI 54476.



The joy of this year's greening of springtime in Wisconsin was overshadowed, clouded by the February 9th death of NOW Life Member Fred Voecks. Fred was 73 years of age.

Fred Voecks, the grocer, turned coin dealer, shaped and promoted post World War II Wisconsin numismatics by his wide-spread activities in the Fox Valley. He helped form and hold together local coin clubs from Oconto, on the North, all the way down through Fond du Lac.

His front porch shop spawned a whole generation of coin collectors and many became NOW officers... men like Jim Medd and Ray Phillips, who sold their circulation finds to Fred to generate cash to buy semi-key coins for their collections. Fred often consigned coins to the "shoe string" dealers of the valley, so they could make a few dollars as well. There was no paper work in these transactions, just trust and good will.

In 1964, NOW News announced "The Fox Valley Coin Exchange boasting one of the finest and most modern facilities in the Midwest, has recently opened for business in downtown Appleton. The new quarters feature private carpeted offices, walk-in vaults and up-to-minute teletype service".

When Fred's health failed in the 1980s, his son, Fritz, whom he had nurtured and trained in Numismatics, provided the competent hands into which the coin

business passed. While Fritz handled the coin business, Fred spent his last years at a second love, the supper club he owned at Cecil, Wisconsin.

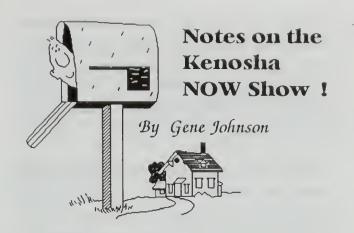
Retired and In poor health for almost 10 years from the Fox Valley Coin Exchange he founded, Fred was one of the foundation stones that NOW was built upon back in 1960. A chartering member at the birth of NOW at Iola, Fred held charter number #47, and later became Life Member #0004-L. His support of NOW was solid! When I served as NOW President, we were always assured we could count on Fred for two tables at those early, formative NOW bourses. He also had life memberships in ANA, Ducks Unlimited, and the Wisconsin Restaurant Association.

Fred served as a NOW Board of Governors member from 1972 through 1980 and during these turbulent years of NOW, was a quieting and steadying force to our state organization. In discussing Fred's passing, no one could recall a harsh, personal word spoken about anyone by Fred Voecks.

I personally remember Fred best for his quiet laid-back humor, always bubbling beneath a quizzical smile. Fred's many friends in the membership gratefully remember that he was one of us back during those many fruitful years.

Gene Johnson





Our trip to the 1997 Kenosha show was indeed memorable. Irene and I arose bright and early Saturday, ready for the 200 mile ride to Kenosha. We had caught a pretty day.

Our route took us thru Delavan, a pretty little community that we had not visited in over 30 years. Here we stopped to enjoy a light lunch and visited several antique shops on brick paved main street. The recently rebuilt brick street with old-style street lamps and pretty 1900-era store fronts, make this business district a beautiful period restoration.

It was then just a hop, skip and a jump to Kenosha, where we located our motel. Since we were in town early, we used the NOW News map to locate 39th street and drove down to the Union Club where the show was to be held on Sunday.

Retracing our path, we turned back into 30th street and located the Fireside Supper Club, where the Dick Anderson Mystery Dinner was to be held that evening. Having "mapped out" these essential locations, it was time for us to explore Kenosha.. a big, clean and beautiful lakeside city.

We followed highway 50 to the lake, then curled along the shoreline taking pictures and admiring the many large old

homes. The lake in this area is an excellent combination of pretty parks and beaches and mammoth rip-rapped stone works. The huge white-capped lake seemed incredibly lovely to sand burr country people like ourselves.

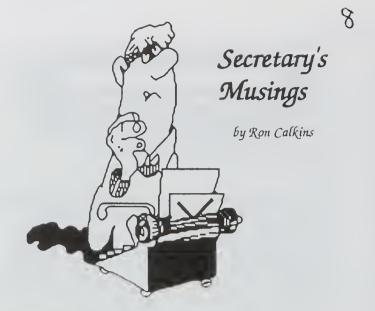
We stopped at the massive old Durkee Mansion, built in 1862 and had later served as a girl's school for many years. After touring the premises, adjacent to majestic Kemper Hall, we wound our way back to highway 50 and our hotel. The non-smoking room we had reserved was not... and the first of several small irritations.

Here we met Ron and Phyllis Calkins and drew up plans for the evening trip to the Fireside Supper Club. After we all switched into our red jackets, we cut over to a nearby hotel where NOW President, Rollie Finner, was housed. Rollie hadn't planned on wearing his red jacket to dinner, but we raised such an uproar that he retreated to his room and returned resplendent red!

Arriving at the Fireside, we soon were joined by NOW folks, Fred Borgmann, John & Nancy Wilson and Tom & Alice Fruit. The Kenosha contingent also arrived shortly thereafter -- Milan Alusic, Bill & Sherri Spencer, George Conrad, Phil Bressett and show chairman, Jerry Binsfeld, forming as nice a group of friendly folks as you will ever find.

Our off-the-menu meal had been set up in a pleasant, smoke-free room and conversation was the order of the evening prior to, during and after dinner. Here a second glitch appeared. While everyone else savored and enjoyed their food,

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NOW Constitution

After a long,hard effort, the N.O.W. Constitution and ByLaws has finally been updated, reviewed and was accepted at the last Board and Annual meeting. A copy is included in this issue of NOW News.

1997 NOW Show

The Kenosha Coin Club members did a great job. I won't go into detail since there is more detailed information about the show elsewhere in this newsletter.

One thing missing from the traditional Mystery Dinner was... Dick Anderson. In the past Dick usually organized this event and we often wouldn't know where we were going until we got there. A "coin Trivia" quiz with a prize or two was also typical of Dick's Saturday evening gettogether. The dinner at the Fireside Restaurant was well attended by local club members and NOW personnel. To put simply... Good food and good company equals a good time! The club even had a special coin exhibit in the lobby, giving great publicity.

The show, held at the Union Hall, was very well attended. The club's publicity, (assisted by NOW President, Rollie

Finner's efforts will area newspapers) turned out a steady stream of collectors. Jerry Binsfeld, show chairman, stated "We had a great attendance... It seemed more than in recent years. Traffic was heavy throughout the day."

I was very impressed with the souvenir banknote which the club produced, with Bill Spencer's help. It is the best banknote card I've ever seen, featuring a City Bank of Kenosha \$3 banknote in full color. Only 50 were produced and sold at \$4. They are truly beautiful! (I have card #3). They may have a few left.

Exhibits graced the corners of the hall. Of special interest to me was Mark Ferguson's 1804 silver dollar exhibit. He's done a vast amount of research on this coin and his documents formed a featured exhibit. He now speaks on the subject and has developed a web site. (www.1804dollor.com).

After searching the show for some Indian Trader Tokens (found none) we enjoyed chatting with our old friends and making some new friends... We even sold a few NOW memberships!

Welcome to the Board-Returning to the NOW Board are Bill Brandimore, Tom Casper and Richard Meyer. New kid on the block...err N.O.W. Board... Is Thad Streeter. Thanks to Mike Schilller for his past service on the Board. Mike will continue as chairman formulating a N.O.W. Convention Guidelines booklet.

1998 NOW Show-We have not heard from those club's which have expressed an interest in hosting next year's show. At this time, we do not have a host club for the 1998 NOW Show.

Secretary's Musings continued...

It's beneficial to collector's and dealers when our annual show can be located in various parts of Wisconsin. If your club may be interested in hosting next year's show, please contact NOW President, Rollie Finner.

Thanks-We want to thank John Wilson, NOW member and President of Central States, the PNG, the ANA and anyone else who helped with the Lincoln Cent Boards and the Coin Collector Starter Kits for youngsters. 50 kits were given to junior numismatists who showed up with their parents. The Lincoln cent boards were a Professional Numismatists Guild Educational project. What a great idea!

Kid Cents-The Wausau Coin Club had a great idea to get kids interested in coin collecting. They gave Lincoln cent boards

away at their show and had a table staffed by club members. On the table was a supply of Lincoln cents donated by the club and dealers. Kids



were all over the place (even on the floor) looking and filling their boards with "free pennies". If even 1 in 10 becomes a serious collector, our hobby will thrive.

No Cards-Remember, we do not send annual membership cards because of the cost of mailing them. If you desire a card send a stamped envelope to me (Ron Calkins). Notes on the Kenosha NOW Show continued...

my T-bone was apparently cut-from a "gristly" bear.

After dinner we all assembled and drove through the back streets to the Union Club. The beautiful facility was clean, large and well-suited for our show. A very impressive layout. As a group, we helped Jerry Binsfeld haul the handouts. freebies and registration setup into the building, and then came a small disaster... Returning to the parking area to lock our car, I tripped and fell onto the Union Club's nice new concrete sidewalk and sprained both my wrists. A big groggy from the fall, but feeling only scuffed and humbled, I brushed myself off and rejoined the gabfest inside. Later that night at the motel, it was pain pill time.

The next morning Phyllis, Ron, Irene and I enjoyed a continental breakfast at the motel and by 8:30 a.m. We were at the show where nearly all of the bourse dealers were already set up.

The NOW membership table was quickly set up and staffed with Ron Calkins doing the work, and Phyllis, Irene and Alice "assisting" -- (chatting).

Stiff as a board and experiencing PAIN, I searched the bourse for tokens and after covering the floor, eased into a chair to wait for the NOW membership meeting, but.... Didn't last that long. With throbbing wrists and a 4-hour ride ahead, we headed back to Wisconsin Rapids.

Ah, the 1997 Kenosha NOW Show... Nice city, KENOSHA, swell meeting place, the UNION CLUB, nice bourse and great NOW friends.... But for one clumsy guy, a lousy TRIP!



W.N.W.A. Winners Announced

The Writer's Awards
Certificates for 1996 were
presented by Fred
Borgmann at the NOW
Meeting in Kenosha.

The 1st Place winner was Bill Brandimore for his article "Wisconsin Territorial Banknotes". A \$100 cash 1st award was donated by the South Shore Coin Club for this article.

Gene Johnson was awarded 2nd Place for his "Oshkosh, By Gosh" article. The \$50 cash award was donated by the Milwaukee Numismatic Research Society.

The Milwaukee Numismatic Society donated \$25 for the Third Place Award, which went to Phyllis Calkins for her "Money in Your Kitchen" article.

John and Nancy Wilson have submitted many excellent numismatic articles and were presented a Certificate of Appreciation by the Wisconsin Numismatic Writer's Association.

The purpose of WNWA is to develop numismatic journalistic talents among our members and to publish interesting and informative articles in NOW News. Membership in this group is open to all members of NOW. You too could be a winner.

The only requirement is to submit at least one hobby-oriented article each year for publication in the NOW News. The News editor has the right to use or reject any article submitted.



Literary Awards presented by Fred Borgmann went to John & Nancy Wilson, Phyllis Calkins, Bill Brandimore and Gene Johnson. (Gene missed the picture session).

Traveling Down the Trail of Tokens

By John Brathovde, WNWA

Token collecting is a very fascinating hobby. I started by collecting coins some 35 years ago. Since then, I've branched out into tokens as well. I guess most token collectors started the same way I did.

"I want to get as many different tokens I can from the town were I live!"

In my case, the town was Amherst and the Amherst Junction area. I spent most of my youth in Amherst Jct., and later I moved to Amherst, just a few miles away.

Both towns are very small and not many tokens could be found. I noticed more and more of the tokens I turned up were from Stevens Point. Stevens Point is a much larger city than Amherst or Amherst Jct., and just about 15 miles down the road. It also had a lot more businesses and therefore more tokens. I decided to add Stevens Point to my area of specialization as well.

Token books had to come in play now. I wanted to know if the tokens I had were listed, and which ones I still needed. Once this information arrived, the "token bug" really bit. I was determined to find the tokens I did not have.





Eventually I started to learn some interesting facts about token collecting. First, most of the tokens I needed were in another collector's possession. Second, most collectors did not care to sell the tokens I wanted, but were eager to trade them for the ones they needed. I also found that most Wisconsin collectors liked to collect a sample token from each and every burg, city, or town from their state. I had to adopt this system too or I would have nothing to trade, and my areas of specialization would never expand.

I advertised for tokens in the local newspapers and displayed want-ads at the local stores. I am now eager to buy any tokens from Wisconsin. Over a period of time, I picked up a few more local tokens plus some "trading stock".

All I need now is to find more collectors like myself, and my hobby will be even more satisfying – traveling down the trail of tokens!

Memo

If you find any mistakes, please consider that they appear for the benefit of those who always look for them...we try to print something for everybody!

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Numismatists of Wisconsin Constitution & ByLaws

As Amended May 18, 1997

CONSTITUTION

Article | NAME

The name of this organization is Numismatists of Wisconsin (also known as N.O.W.). Numismatists of Wisconsin is a non-profit and a non-stock corporation organized within the framework of the statutes of the State of Wisconsin.

Article II OBJECT

The objective of the Numismatists of Wisconsin shall be to encourage and promote interest in numismatics, to cultivate friendly relations between Wisconsin coin collectors and the coin clubs of Wisconsin, as well as collectors of other states, and to encourage and assist new collectors and coin clubs. All resources shall be used to further the above objectives.

Article III MEMBERSHIP

- Section 1 Any person of good, moral character may become a regular member of this organization upon application and with the executive board's consent.
- Section 2 Any Coin Club, Historical Society, Library or other organization which has an interest in numismatics may become a regular member upon application and with the executive board's consent.
- Section 3 Any regular member is eligible to apply for and obtain a Life Membership following 1 year of continuous membership.
- Section 4 Any member can be expelled for just cause or activities detrimental to the hobby, upon written complaint. The Executive Board shall pass upon the matter after due hearing.
- Section 5 No member shall receive direct monetary benefits from the organization's assets or functions. In the event the organization is disbanded, all assets shall be turned over to the Smithsonian Institute for exclusive use of their Numismatic Division.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

- Section 1 The elective officers of this organization shall be as follows: President, Vice President and 12 Governors.
- Section 2 The Executive Board shall consist of the President, Vice President, immediate Past President, N.O.W. News Editor, Secretary-Treasurer and 12 Governors.

ARTICLE Y TERMS OF OFFICE AND VOTING RIGHTS

- Section 1 The terms of office shall be two years for all elected officers, except Governors, whose terms of office shall be 3 years and staggered.
- Section 2 The President shall appoint a Secretary-Treasurer, N.O.W. News Editor and a Curator-Historian to terms coincident with his administration.

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- Section 3 No person shall hold the executive office of President or Vice President for two successive terms except in the event no other willing and qualified candidate can be found. They may be elected to another office in a succeeding term.
- Section 4 Any person holding more than one executive board post is prohibited from casting more than one vote on any question.
- Section 5 An unexpired vacancy on the executive board shall be filled by Presidential appointment.

ARTICLE VI AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

This Constitution may be amended by a majority vote at any regular or special meeting of the organization provided a quorum is present and provided further that the proposed amendments shall have been introduced at the preceding meeting or published in the preceding issue of N.O.W. News.

BYLAWS

ARTICLE I ELECTION OF OFFICERS

- Section 1 Each year in the last issue of N.O.W. News, the President will issue a call to the membership for nominations for the election of officers for the Numismatists of Wisconsin.
- Section 2 No member shall be eligible for election as President or Vice President unless they have been a member of the executive board for a minimum of one year and of N.O.W. for a minimum of three years. Candidates for Governor must have been a member of N.O.W. for a minimum of one year. Nominations may be made by any regular member. No member may nominate himself. The Secretary shall review eligibility of nominees and provide such information to the Election Committee when required.
- Section 3 No nominee may accept a nomination for more than one elective office in any one election. Nominee shall be notified by the Secretary and indicate his acceptance or rejection in writing to the Secretary, within dates indicated by the Secretary. All nominations shall close on the date indicated by the Secretary.
- Section 4 The Secretary shall cause the names of all eligible nominees who have so accepted to be printed on the official ballot and published in the pre-convention issue of N.O.W. News (at least 30 days prior to our Annual Show).
- Section 5 The Election Committee shall be composed of three members appointed by the President, none of whom may be a candidate for an office. Duties are to count the ballots as set forth in Section 7. If less than 4 qualified nominees are received, the President shall declare all nominees elected and will appoint a sufficient number of governors to fill the remaining vacancies.
- Section 6 Voting shall be by mail only on ballots distributed by the Secretary at least 15 days prior to the annual spring convention or spring Board of Governor's meeting in the event of a delayed show. Ballots will be sent to paid up members only.
- Section 7 The Secretary shall retain all sealed ballots unopened. In the event that the Secretary is standing for an elective post, another person who is not standing for election shall be designated by the President retain all sealed ballots unopened. On the first day of the convention, or at the spring Board of Governor's Pg. 2

- meeting in the event the convention is delayed beyond the normal Spring show date, the Secretary or designated person shall deliver the ballots to the Election Committee.
- Section 8 The Election Committee shall count all ballots and envelopes and report the total votes for each candidate to the President and Secretary promptly following the tabulation.
- Section 9 The candidate or candidates receiving the largest number of votes for the respective offices shall be declared duly elected. In the event of a tie, the executive Board as a unit, shall cast the tie-breaking vote.
- Section 10 The President will announce the results of the election at the N.O.W. Annual Meeting or spring Board of Governor's meeting if the Annual meeting is delayed beyond the normal spring show date. The results shall also be reported in the next issue of N.O.W. News.
- Section 11 New officers and Governors shall assume office following the close of the last business session of the annual convention or at the spring Board of Governor's meeting if the annual spring convention is delayed.

ARTICLE II DUTIES OF THE OFFICERS

- Section 1 The **President** shall preside at all meetings and in his absence, the duty shall fall upon the Vice President, Past-President or senior Governor (based on years served as Governor.) The President shall be an ex-officio member of all committees.
- Section 2 The Secretary-Treasurer shall keep a written record or report of all meetings, and shall collect and disburse all monies, keeping an accurate account of all such transactions and monies of the organization. He shall maintain correspondence, ballots, dues notices, and other records.
- Section 3 The Curator-Historian shall maintain a historical record of the organization's activities and reserve examples of such artifacts as are produced in its name.
- Section 4 The N.O.W. News Editor shall be responsible for the regular production of the organization's journal as prescribed by the Executive Board, including the advertising accounts.
- Section 5 The Executive Board may conduct any and all business not specifically reserved for membership action.
- Section 6 At the expiration of their terms of office, all officers shall deliver to their successor all books, papers, money and other property of the organization which is in their possession.
- Section 7 The incoming President may appoint a 3-member Auditing Committee, none of whom may be an outgoing member of the Board, to audit the financial and other records of the previous administration.

ARTICLE III DUES AND APPLICATIONS

- Section 1 The dues for regular membership shall be set forth by the Executive Board per calendar year, payable in advance.
- Section 2 The dues for Life Membership, payable in a single installment, shall be 20 times the prevailing annual dues for a regular membership.

- Section 3 Applications for membership shall be made to the Secretary. Each applicant may be recommended by a member of N.O.W. who personally knows and vouches for the character and integrity of the applicant.
- Section 4 Each application shall be accompanied by dues for the current calendar year.

ARTICLE IV QUORUM

- Section 1 A quorum for an Annual meeting of N.O.W. shall consist of no less than 7 Executive Board members and any eligible members who choose to attend any legally-announced meeting. The organization may not elect officers or change the Constitution or ByLaws unless a quorum is present.
- Section 2 A quorum for an Executive Board meeting shall consist of no less than seven (7) members. The Board may not make any binding decisions unless a quorum of members is present or polled and the decision has a majority vote.

ARTICLE V MISCELLANEOUS

- Section 1 This organization exists for the mutual benefit of its members. Each member, therefore, should exert a reasonable effort to further the welfare of the group by recruiting new members, attending meetings and faithfully discharging any assigned duties.
- Section 2 No member shall incur any expense in the name of the organization without the express permission of the Executive Board, except the President and Secretary-Treasurer, who may incur routine expense for postage, printing, supplies and incidental expenses on behalf of the organization up to the amount of fifty dollars (\$50).
- Section 3 The annual meeting of N.O.W. shall be held at the Annual Convention each year.
- Section 4 Interim N.O.W Board meetings may be called by the President at such times and places as he deems appropriate. The Executive Board shall be called into session at least 3 times a year, one meeting of which will be held during the Annual Convention. The membership shall be notified of special membership meetings at least 30 days in advance if by mail or in the preceding issue of N.O.W. News.
- Section 5 The following order of business shall be used at any Board, Annual or Interim meeting:
 1. Call to order
 - 2. Reading of the minutes
 - 3. Report of the officers
 - 4. Report of the committees
 - 5. Communications
 - 6. Unfinished business
 - 7. New business
 - 8. Adjournment

Roberts Rules of Order shall govern the conduct of all meetings.

ARTICLE VI AMENDMENTS OF THE BY-LAWS

The ByLaws may be amended by a majority vote at any Annual or Interim N.O.W Board meeting of the organization at which a quorum is present or by postal referendum. and provided further that the proposed amendments shall have been introduced at the preceding meeting or published in the preceding issue of N.O.W. News.

Constitution as Adopted 1962; Amended Sept. 22, 1974; Feb. 16,1975; May 15-16,1982; & May 18, 1997

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The Wisconsin Valley Coin Club held it's annual spring Coin Show on Sunday April 20, 1997 at the Midway Hotel in Wausau, WI. The show was free to the public and offered 22 dealers Wisconsin, coin from Illinois and Iowa. There were also numismatic door prizes, a coin raffle, a TV with a VCR playing 2 different coin collecting tapes, and penny boards and starter kits for young collectors. The club reports that attendance was very high.

The penny boards were courtesy of the Professional Numismatists Guild and the starter kits of the Central States Numismatic Society. We had great fun with the penny boards. At a previous show we gave penny boards to young collectors and got the usual thanks in return for giving them something free. At this show we set up table space and a few thousand pennies for the kids to search through. Any pennies that they were able to place in their boards, they were able to keep. We started with 8' of table space for this activity and then soon expanded to 20' and any available space on the floor next to the tables. area was FILLED with kids astonished parents for the duration of the show. It was the best idea we ever had to get young people started in the basics of collecting. The cost to the club was \$20.00 for the initial penny stock, the balance coins were donated by club members and coin dealers glad to see the response that we got from these kids.

Little did show organizers in Wausau, Wisconsin, realize how well received, their offer of free coins to fill the holes on free PNG penny boards would be until they tried interesting that appreach of youngsters in coin collecting. qualify, kids attending the recent 20th show had to April accompanied by a parent. Local adult club members supervised as youngsters sifted through thousands of cents to find the needed dates and mint marks. While the kids were busy with pennies, parents were do business with attending dealers.



LOCAL CLUB MEMBER RANDY BECK WORKED WITH TORI (LEFT) AND HANNAH TERPINING TO MAKE CERTAIN THAT THE RIGHT COINS WERE BEING PLACED IN THE RIGHT OPENINGS. THEIR MOTHER EVEN GOT INTO THE ACT.

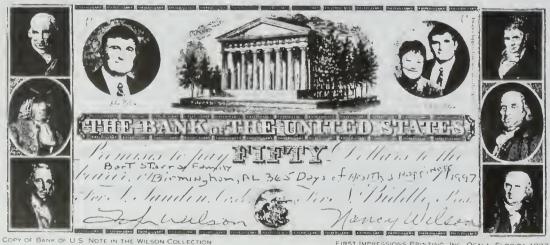
Packer "Autograph" Frenzy And Bart Starr By: John & Nancy Wilson, WNWA & NLG

With the Green Bay Packers winning the Super Bowl this past year, everyone has gone crazy with purchasing Packer memorabilia (shirts, hats, jackets, mugs, footballs, etc.) and also including autographs. In 1995, we attended the Krause Publications, Day In The Country, after the 1995 Milwaukee. Wisconsin Central States (CSNS) Coin Show. Needless to say. this KP gathering was a marvelous event that everyone had a great time at. We took the tour that went to Rawhide Boys Ranch, located close to New London, Wisconsin. This is a "last chance" boys home where kids are able to attend school and learn a trade. With most of the boys coming from broken homes or the court system Rawhide gives them a chance to grow up in a home atmosphere with dedicated fill-in mothers and fathers. The management, boys, facility and grounds are magnificent and the air there is filled with "love and caring." If you are in the area of New London, we recommend that you call Rawhide and set yourself up with a tour.

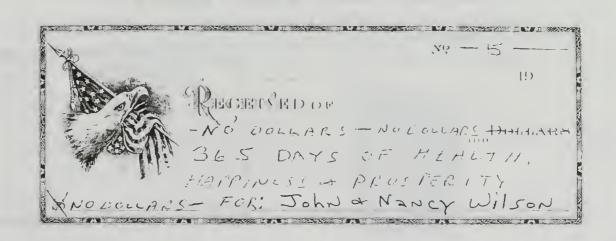
We are sure that everyone who read this has saw the "Bart Starr" ads asking for your cars to be donated to Rawhide for a tax deduction. We must have saw this advertisement at least 50 times over the course of many years. Like the rest of you Wisconsinites we lived and died with all the Packer games this past season (and every season). We even taped the Super Bowl Game this year. As you know, when they won the "Big One" the whole state went Packer Mania crazy. It seemed like for months after the game Packers were going around the state (especially Milwaukee) to sign autographs. The most coveted were Brett Favre, Desmond Howard and Reggie Jackson. We were somewhat deterred by the long lines to get any of their autographs. We did eventually purchase Green Bay Packer hats and shirts. As a matter of fact, the Packer official hats set a record by selling 600,000. This figure beat the Chicago Bulls championship hats, which only sold 400,000.

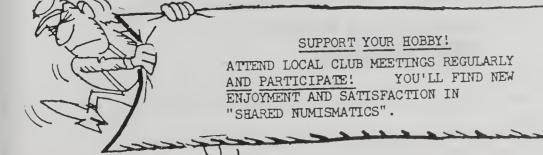
I mentioned to Nancy that it would be awful nice to add a Bart Starr autograph to our collection since we couldn't get Favre. We sent a letter off to Rawhide with our small annual donation. In the letter we enclosed a note saying that if we could get a Bart Starr signed check we would make a nice donation to Rawhide. A month or so after we sent the donation we received a call from Bart Starr's secretary in Birmingham, Alabama. The Secretary mentioned that she received from Rawhide the note we enclosed with our donation and our offer to make another, if we received a Bart Starr autograph. We said we would be honored to receive a Bart Starr autographed check.

We mentioned that we collected autographed checks of famous personalities and Mr. Starr's would represent our NFL players example. We asked her for a signed check made out to John & Nancy Wilson and payable for one cent She said that Mr. Starr only signed sports memorabilia and didn't sign checks for collectors or anyone. We then mentioned that if we sent along an example of a "check format" 365 days of Health, Happiness & Prosperity for John & Nancy Wilson would be sign (See #1) She said that he probably wouldn't, but we could try. So off went an envelope with a \$1 bill signed by our Treasurer Mary Ellen Withrow (for his collection), the form for 365 Days of Health, Happiness & Prosperity for him to sign (if he didn't sign the check, an Advertising Note from us to Mr. Starr for 365 days of Health, Happiness & Prosperity (See #2) and a SASE so he could return a one cent check or form to us.



A month or so later we received an envelope from Birmingham. When we opened it, we found that Mr. Starr returned everything we sent to him - including the Mary Ellen Withrow signed \$1 bill and the SASE we sent. Also enclosed was our "check" which as you can see is an autographed picture of Bart (#15) in uniform, behind the center. (See #3) It is autographed "To John & Nancy - Two Great Fans - Best Wishes - Bart Starr. Well, as you can see, this signed photo to us will have to represent our autograph check collection as Bart Starr doesn't sign checks, forms or anything that isn't connected to the sport. Bart is still a class act, and we appreciated receiving anything - even a signed photo. Mr. Starr is a true National Football League Hall of Fame member, and we will cherish the signed photo to us - forever. We did send a nice extra donation to Rawhide for Bart Starr's autographed photo - even though it wasn't on a check. If any of you have a signed check from Bart Starr, we would like to make a donation to you if you want to sell it. The three illustrated items are reduced by one third.





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BROOKLYN CENTER, MN - MARCH 13-15, 1998

NorthWest Coin Club's 64th Annual Coin Show. Earle Brown Heritage Circle, 6156 Earle Brown Dr. Chairman: Lee Quast, Box 18053, Minneapolis, MN 55418.

MADISON - MARCH 29, 1998

PLEASE NOTE: Madison Coin Club's 66th Coin Show. Turner Hall, 3301 South Stoughton Road, Madison. Chairman: Kevin Doyle, 5 N. Western Avenue, Deerfield, WI 53531.

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